

U.S. Appl. No. 10/816,140
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS.

Claims 23, 24, 26 and 28 are pending. Claims 23, 24, 26 and 28, which are independent, are hereby amended. Claims 21, 22, 25, 27 and 29 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of any subject matter. No new matter has been introduced. It is submitted that these claims, as originally presented, were in full compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. Changes to claims are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103, or §112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicant is entitled.

Claims 21, 22 and 24-29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,091,423 to Shiraishi, et al. (hereinafter, merely "Shiraishi") in view of Multimedia Builder by Media Chance (hereinafter, merely "Multimedia Builder").

Claim 23, which was indicated as allowable, has been written in independent form. Claims 24, 26 and 28 have been amended to incorporate features of claim 23.

Therefore, Applicant submits that independent claims 23, 24, 26 and 28 are patentable.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable and Applicant respectfully requests early passage to issue of the present application.

Please charge any additional fees that may be needed, and credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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